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## MAGDA SWEATER



*“Magda sweater is a modern interpretation of a chunky textured sweater”*

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It features a round-neck, drop-shoulder, balloon sleeves and an oversized bozy cut. It is worked from the top down. The back is knit first. Then, the front shoulders are picked up from the shoulder edge and worked top down as you shape the neck. Finally, the front and back are joined together at the underarm and the body is knit seamlessly in the round to the hem.

The model in the picture is 169 cm tall and wears a size 2.



### LEVEL

Intermediate (2/3)

### YARN

9 (10, 10, 11, 11) (12,12, 13, 13) skeins of Cloud Gregoria Fibers (50g = 120 yards/110 m) (42% baby alpaca, 28% extra fine wool 30% cotton).

5 (5, 6, 6, 6) (6, 7, 7, 8) skeins of Kidsilk Lace Gregoria Fibers (25g = 230 yards/ 210 m) (73% superkid mohair, 27% silk).

The sweater is worked holding two strands of yarn together (one of Kidsilk Lace and one of Cloud).

For the sample we used one strand of Kidsilk Lace in colourway “Mauve” and one strand of Cloud in colourway “Wheat”.

### NEEDLES

6 mm / US 10 circular needles, cable length 80 or 100 cm / 32 or 40” for main body.

5 mm / US 8 circular needles, cable length 80 or 100 cm / 32 or 40” for neckband and ribbing.

### GAUGE

16 stitches x 22 rounds = 10 cm / 4” on 6 mm / US 8 needles in stockinette stitch in the round after blocking.

14,5 stitches x 24 rounds = 10 cm / 4” on 6 mm / US 8 needles in pattern stitch no.1 worked flat after blocking.

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13 stitches x 14 rounds = 10 cm / 4" on 6 mm / US 8 needles in pattern stitch no.2 in the round after blocking.

Gauge is crucial for this project. Please make sure you achieve the gauge by changing needle size if necessary.

### SIZES

1 (2, 3, 4, 5) (6, 7, 8, 9)

This sweater is designed to be worn with approximately 30-40 cm / 12-16" of positive ease at bust.

Finished bust circumference: 118 (124, 129, 134, 138.5)(144.5, 150, 154, 160) / 46.6 (48, 50, 52.7, 54.5) (56.9, 58.8, 60.6, 63)".

Sizes 1 (2, 3, 4, 5) (6, 7, 8, 9) are intended to fit a real bust circumference of about 80 (85, 90, 95, 100) (105, 110, 120, 125) cm / 31.4 (33.4, 35.4, 37.4, 39.3) (41.3, 43.3, 47.2, 49.2)".

### NOTIONS

Stitch markers, scrap yarn or stitch holders, tapestry needle.

## ABBREVIATIONS

BO: bind off  
cm: centimeter  
CO: cast on  
DS: double stitch (German short rows)  
K: knit  
K1b: knit one stitch below  
Ktbl: knit through the back loop  
k2tog: knit 2 together  
k3tog: knit 3 together  
m: marker  
M1R: make 1 right  
M1L: make 1 left  
P: purl  
P1b: purl one stitch below  
yo: yarn over  
WS: wrong side

## SPECIAL TECHNIQUES AND EXTRA SUPPORT

### PATTERN STITCH NO.1 WORKED FLAT

(worked over 2 sts)

Row 1 (RS): \*(K1, P1), repeat from \* to end.

Row 2 (WS): as row 1.

Row 3 (RS): \*(P1, K1), repeat from \* to end.

Row 4 (WS): as row 3.

### PATTERN STITCH NO.2 WORKED IN THE ROUND

(worked over 2 sts)

Round 1: \*K1b, P1\*, repeat from \* to end.

Round 2: work in pattern (knit the knits, P1b the purls) to end.

### VIDEO TUTORIALS

Scan or click on the QR-code to watch the videos on YouTube.

Short rows



Tubular bind off



Make 1 (M1)



Backwards loop cast on



Picking up sts neatly



Knit one below (k1b)



Purl one below (p1b)



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## INSTRUCTIONS

### BACK

Using gauge-sized needles (for our sample, 6 mm / US 10 needles were used), CO 78 (78, 80, 80, 82) (82, 84, 84, 86) sts and break yarn.

Turn work and slip the first 26 (26, 27, 27, 28) (28, 29, 29, 30) sts to the right-hand needle. Join new yarn. Do not turn work.

Begin working on a set of short rows as follows.

This section is worked in pattern no.1.

### Short rows

Short rows are created here to elevate the back and achieve a better fit at the shoulders. This pattern calls for German Short Rows, but feel free to replace them with your favorite short-row technique.

Short row 1 (RS): begin to work in pattern no.1 over the next 26 sts. Turn work.

Short row 2 (WS): work DS, work in pattern for 28 sts. Turn work.

Short row 3 (RS): work DS, work in pattern to DS, resolve it, work 2 more sts in pattern. Turn work.

Short row 4 (WS): work DS, work in pattern to DS, resolve it, work 2 more sts in pattern. Turn work.

Repeat the last two rows as many times as necessary until 6 (6, 7, 7, 7) (8, 8, 8, 8) sts remain on each side.

Next row: work DS and work in pattern to end, resolving the remaining DS as you encounter them.

End of short rows.

Continue working back as follows:

Continue working in pattern no.1 until the back measures approximately 19 (19, 20, 20, 21) (21, 22, 22, 22) cm / 7.6 (7.6, 8, 8) (8.4, 8.4, 8.8, 8.8)" measuring from the tip of the shoulder, next to the armhole.

Make sure you end in either row 2 or 4 of the pattern repeat. Note which is the row number you work last. You will need this information later on when working on the front.

*There are 78 (78, 80, 80, 82) (82, 84, 84, 86) sts on your needles.*

Break yarn and place the back sts on hold using a spare needle or some scrap yarn.

### LEFT FRONT

You will now pick up sts to work the shoulder. With the WS of the BACK facing, join a new thread of yarn and pick up and knit 24 (26, 27, 27, 28) (28, 29, 29, 30) sts working from the shoulder edge towards the neck. The edge would be visible on the RS work. This section is worked in pattern no.1.

Next row (RS): K1 (edge st), begin to work in pattern to end.

Next row (WS): work in pattern to 1 st to end, P1 (edge st).

Repeat these two rows 8 more times. (You have worked 19 rows in total)

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### **Neck shaping**

Next row (RS): K1 (edge st), M1R, work in pattern to end. (1 st inc'd)

Next row (WS): work in pattern to last st, P1 (edge st).

Repeat these two rows 2 more times. (2 more sts inc'd)

*There are 27 (29, 30, 30, 31)(31, 32, 32, 33) sts on your needles.*

Break yarn and place the left front sts on hold using a spare needle or some scrap yarn.

### **RIGHT FRONT**

With the WS of the BACK facing, join a new thread of yarn and pick up 24 (26, 27, 27, 28) (28, 29, 29, 30) sts along the other shoulder.

Next row (RS): begin to work in pattern to 1 st to end, K1 (edge st).

Next row (WS): P1 (edge st), work in pattern to end.

Repeat these two rows 8 more times. (You have worked 19 rows in total)

### **Neck shaping**

Next row (RS): work in pattern to last st, M1L (knit or purl according to pattern), K1 (edge st).

Next row (WS): P1 (edge st), work in pattern to end.

Repeat these two rows 2 more times. (2 more sts inc'd)

*There are 27 (29, 30, 30, 31)(31, 32, 32, 33) sts on your needles.*

### **JOIN FRONTS**

Work in pattern across right front stitches. CO 19 sts using the backward loop cast-on or your favorite cast-on method, place the left front stitches back onto the needles, and work in pattern to end.

*There are 73 (77, 79, 79, 81)(81, 83, 83, 85) sts on your needles.*

Continue working in pattern until the front measures 19 (19, 20, 20, 21) (21, 22, 22, 22) cm / 7.6 (7.6, 8, 8, 8.4) (8.4, 8.8, 8.8, 8.8)" (same length as for the back), measuring at the tip of the shoulder (at the beginning of the armhole).

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End in a WS row. Make sure to end in either a row 2 or 4 of the pattern repeat according to the last row you worked for the back. If necessary, add extra rows to reach the same row number.

### JOIN FRONT AND BACK

Purl across front stitches CO 1 (3, 4, 6, 8) (12, 13, 16, 18) sts, place the back stitches back onto the needles, and purl to end, CO 2 (4, 5, 7, 9) (13, 14, 17, 19) sts. Join to work in the round and place a m to indicate BOR.

*There are 154 (162, 168, 174, 180) (188, 194, 200, 208) sts on your needles.*

Next round: \*(K2tog, yo). Rep. from \* to end.

Next round: purl to end.

Next round: knit to end.

Begin to work in pattern no. 2 seamlessly in the round until the garment measures approximately 31 cm / 12.2" from underarm or to desired length.

### RIBBING

Change to below-gauge needle size (for our sample, we used 5 mm / US 8 needles).

Work in twisted 1×1 rib (K1tbl, P1) for 9 cm / 3.5".

Bind off using the tubular bind-off method.

### NECKLINE

See video tutorial for reference on how to pick up sts neatly.

With below gauge-sized needles (for our sample, we used 5 mm / US 8 needles), pick up approximately 84 (84, 86, 86, 86) (86, 88, 90, 92) sts as follows: starting on the top of the left front (pick up approximately 3 stitches every 4 rows) and then pick up the remaining sts along the back (pick up every stitch), place a BOR. You can pick up more or less sts if necessary, but make sure to end with an even number before moving on to the set-up round.

Set up round: purl to end.

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Next round: \*(K2tog, yo). Rep. from \* to end.

Next round: purl to end.

Begin to work in the round in twisted ribbing (K1tbl, P1) for 3.5 cm / 1.3" or desired length.

Bind off using the tubular bind off method.

## SLEEVES

Both sleeves are worked alike.

With smaller needles (for our sample, we used 5 mm / US 8 needles), pick up 66 (68, 68, 70, 70) (72, 78, 80, 80) sts along the sleeve opening, and place a marker at the underarm to indicate BOR. Pick up approx 3 stitches out of 4 rows.

Next round: change to gauge-sized needles (for our sample, 6 mm / US 10 needles were used) and purl to end.

Work in stockinette stitch in the round until the sleeve measures 37 cm / 14.5" from the CO or to desired length. For reference, the sample sleeve measures 47 cm / 18.5" in total. If you want to work a longer sleeve, now it is the time to add more cm.

### Decreasing

Change to below-gauge needle size (for our sample, we used 5 mm / US 8 needles).

Next round: \*(K2tog). Rep. from \* to end.

*There are 33 (34, 34, 35, 35) (36, 39, 40, 40) ) sts on your needles.*

Next round: purl to end.

Next round: K3tog (K2tog, K2tog, K3tog, K3tog) (K2tog, K3tog, K2tog, K2tog), yo, \*(K2tog, yo). Rep. from \* to end. (1 (0, 0, 1, 1) (0, 1, 0, 0) sts dec'd)

*There are 32 (34, 34, 34, 34) (36, 38, 40, 40) sts on your needles.*

Next round: purl to end.

## CUFF

Work in twisted 1×1 rib (K1tbl, P1) for 9 cm / 3.5".

Bind off using the tubular bind-off method.

## FINISHING

Weave in all ends. Wet block your sweater by spraying it or gently soaking it in lukewarm water. Dry flat.

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